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# Resolution adopted by the General Assembly

[*on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/57/561)*]

## 57/16. Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property

*The General Assembly*,

*Recalling* its resolutions 46/55 of 9 December 1991, 49/61 of 9 December 1994, 52/151 of 15 December 1997, 53/98 of 8 December 1998, 54/101 of 9 December 1999, 55/150 of 12 December 2000 and 56/78 of 12 December 2001,

*Having considered* the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property,[1] established pursuant to resolution 55/150,

*Noting* that only a few issues remain outstanding,

*Stressing* the importance of uniformity and clarity in the law applicable to jurisdictional immunities of States and their property,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property;[1]

2. *Decides* that the Ad Hoc Committee shall be reconvened from 24 to 28 February 2003 in order to make a final attempt at consolidating areas of agreement and resolving outstanding issues, with a view to elaborating a generally acceptable instrument based on the draft articles on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property adopted by the International Law Commission at its forty-third session,[2] and also on the discussions of the open-ended working group of the Sixth Committee and the Ad Hoc Committee and their results,[3] as well as to recommend a form for the instrument;

3. *Requests* the Ad Hoc Committee to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session on the outcome of its work;

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 22* (A/57/22).

[2] *Yearbook of the International Law Commission, 1991*, vol. II, Part Two (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.V.9 (Part 2)), document A/46/10, chap. II, para. 28.

[3] See A/C.6/54/L.12 and A/C.6/55/L.12. See also *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Sixth Committee*, 30th meeting (A/C.6/54/SR.30), and corrigendum; ibid., *Fifty-fifth Session, Sixth Committee*, 30th and 31st meetings (A/C.6/55/SR.30 and 31), and corrigendum; ibid., *Fifty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 22* (A/57/22); and ibid., *Fifty-seventh Session, Sixth Committee*, 18th and 19th meetings (A/C.6/57/SR.18 and 19).

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session the item entitled "Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property".

*52nd plenary meeting*
*19 November 2002*